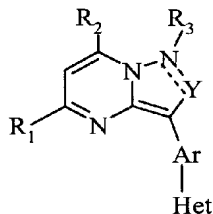


**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**



CRF receptor antagonists are disclosed which have utility in the treatment of a variety of disorders, including the treatment of disorders manifesting hypersecretion of CRF in a warm blooded animals, such as stroke. The CRF receptor antagonists of this invention have the following structure (I), including stereoisomers, prodrugs and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, Y, Ar, and het are as defined herein. Compositions containing a CRF receptor antagonist in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier are also disclosed, as well as methods for use of the same.